

FULL PUBLIC NOTICE
FOR REAPPOINTMENT OF INCUMBENT MAGISTRATE JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY

The current term of office of United States Magistrate Judge J. B. Johnson, Jr., London, Kentucky, is due to expire April 23, 2004. The United States District Court is required by law to establish a panel of citizens to consider the reappointment of the magistrate judge to a new eight year term.

The duties of a magistrate judge of this court include the following:

- (1) conduct of most preliminary proceedings in criminal cases;
- (2) trial and disposition of misdemeanor cases;
- (3) conduct of various pretrial matters and evidentiary proceedings on delegation from a district judge; and
- (4) trial and disposition of civil cases upon consent of the litigants.

Comments from members of the bar and the public are invited as to whether the incumbent magistrate judge should be recommended by the panel for reappointment by the court and should be directed to:

Leslie G. Whitmer, Clerk
United States District Court
Eastern District of Kentucky
P. O. Box 3074
Lexington, KY 40588-3074

Comments **must be received by SEPTEMBER 15, 2003.**